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SUBJECT: BIO INFORMATION: HASAN KAMIL

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1. REFTEL REQUESTS BIO INFORMATION ON HUSAYN KAMIL FOR SALZBURG BRIEFING BOOK. THERE IS AN AMBASSADOR FATHI HUSAYN KAMIL WHO DIRECTS CONSULAR AFFAIRS SECTION OF MFA. WE HAVE HAD NO INDICATION, HOWEVER, THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL IS GOING TO SALZBURG, AND WE HAVE ON INFO ON HIM. REFTEL ARRIVED AFTER GOE'S COB 13 MAY. PLEASE ADVISE IF WE SHOULD ASK MFA PROTOCOL FOR HIS BIO TOMORROW.

2. WE WONDER IF INR INTENDED TO REFER TO HASAN KAMIL, CHIEF OF PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, WHO WILL GO TO SALZBURG (CAIRO 4717).

3. HASAN KAMIL SPELLS HIS NAME HASSAN KAMEL AND IS ADDRESSED AS EXCELLENCY OR MR. AMBASSAODR. A PLEASANT, DAPPER AND APPROACHABLE MAN, HE HAS BEEN INVARIABLY HELPFUL TO US IN ALL OUR DEALINGS WITH PRESIDENCY. HE IS ONE OF FEW INDIVIDUALS WHO HAS DIRECT ACCESS TO PRESIDENT SADAT AND WILL TAKE TENTATIVE DECISION ON PROTOCOL MATTERS ON HIS OWN. NEVERTHELESS, HE DOES NOT WIELD ANY POLICY MAKING POWER. A BUREAUCRAT, KAMIL DOES NOT PRETEND TO BE ANYTHING MORE THAN PRESIDENT'S CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

4. FOLLOWING IS TAKEN FROM OUR UNCLASSIFIED BIO FILES.

KAMIL GRADUATED IN 1939 FROM CAIRO MILITARY ACADEMY. IN 1953 HE WAS MILITARY ATTACHE IN PARIS. IN 1964 HE WAS
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APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO COLUMBIA, IN 1967 AS AMBASSADOR TO

CYPRUS, AND IN 1968 AS AMBASSADOR TO GREECE. IN 1973, HE BECAME GRAND CHAMBERLAIN, THE NUMBER TWO POSITION IN THE PRESIDENTIAL DEPARTMENT. IN MARCH 1974, HE WAS APPOINTED CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE WITH RANK OF MINISTER, THOUGH HE IS NOT RPT NOT MEMBER OF CABINET.

5. KAMIL IS MARRIED. HIS WIFE IS AN ATTRACTIVE EGYPTIAN WHO SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH, AS DOES HE. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, HE DOES NOT SPEAK GERMAN.
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